The Proposition of Russia Was Not Taken Seriously.

THE SITUATION IN APRICA.

Great Britain's Trenty with King Menelik Will Checkmate France. Cavendish African Expedition.

London, January 29 .- (Copyright 1898 by the Associated Press.)-After an unusually onged period of extreme tension ell igns point to an early improvement in if not a complete solution of the various international political problems agitating the nerves of Great Britain. The foreign and ial offices are bringing light from the darkness which has long enveloped the far East, West Africa, the Upper Nile and India and unless signs fail and information from the informed circles is faulty, the Marquis of Salisbury and Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, will divide the honors and Great Britain will secure about all she asks.

So far as China is concerned this view, in connection with the speech of Mr. Curzon, the parliamentary secretary for the office office, at Bolton, on Tuesday, and the reported acceptance of the British loan, is generally regarded as correct. Mr. Curzon foreshadowed the acceptance of the loan, the achievement of Great Erstain's purpose of keeping the ports free to the whole world and the maintenance of the treaty rights whereby "spheres of influence | are rendered impossible."

The Russian proposal of a loan on the same terms as Great Britain was not taken seriously. It is understood that she has not the money herself without drawing upon her war reserve funds.

to burn its fingers in a game in which even if successful Russia would be the only gainer, while Germany appears to have completely turned around to the Brittah side. Throughout the situation has never been so starming as sensationalists attempted to point it. Hence the char's peaceful assurances and Lord Jeorge Hamilton's statement in his speech on Tuesday that relations with Russia were entirely satisfactory will not cause surprise in America. America.

Turning to West Africa, an official of the colonial office informs the Associated Press that the impossibility of securing willnesses from the west count earlier is the reason for the delay in the negotiations. Some of the most important wit-nesses arrived only last week and facy are now in Peris. Thus far all the Princh demands have been conceiled nominally and provisionally pending the result of the och-

But Mr. Chamberlain is perfectly satisfled that the British cinims will be upheld and that the French will be confined westward of a line prolonged from the Point Tagos-Dahomey frontier to the Niger and along the right bank of the Niger to Say.

the meantime he does not protore to risk being caught napping by pushing troops and supplies to the front as rapidly as possible. The new tegiment of 2000 Hussars has been enrolled a: Ibaden during the last few weeks and detachments will be sent to the front as the area be-

In regard to the Upper Nile, the interesting news which Mr. Curzon dropped on Thursday to the effect that the ratification of the treaty between Great Britain and King Menelik of Abyssinia has been exchanged and the government hopes shortly to accredit a direct representative at ly to accredit a direct representation great the Abyssinian court, has given the great the Abyssinian court, bands to solve the

est satisfaction, as it tends to solve the question of the Upper Nile.

The terms of the treaty will not be divulged until it is presented to parliament, but the hints dropped at the colonial office indicate that the agreement is based on the principle that friendly Abysinia on the Upper Nile is preferable to be believed. the principle that friendly Abyssinia on the Upper Nile is preferable to hostile France. Therefore King Menelik will be allowed to gratify his ambitions in the equatorial Hinterland in a manner not in-terfering with the Anglo-Expytlon plans. As King Menelik is a trader as well as a warrior, the agreement also contemplates assistance in opening up the country, and it is understood the British will acquire the right to traverse Abyssinia and other the right to traverse Abyssinia and other advantages which will become apparent as soon as Khartoum is recaptured.

In the meanwhile young Henry Cavendish, a distant relative of the Duke of Devonshire, is preparing to start again for equatorial Africa, accompanied by Lieutenat Andrews, eight brother officers and Mr. Dodson, who was the companion of Dr. Donaldson Smith, the American explorer, Mr. Cavendish will take with him 400 armed

Mr. Cavendieh will take with him 400 armed men and a number of rapid fire guns. As his objective point is the junction of the White Nile and the Sobat river at Sobat, the purpose of the expedition, it will readily be seen, is to cut off the French from reaching Fashoda, which is only a short distance north of Sobat.

Possibly Mr. Cavendish may be able to take advantage of the new treaty with King Menelik and get a short cut through Abyssinia. While Mr. Cavendish is personally defraying the cost of the expedition, it is known that he has been in frequent communication with the Marquis of Salisbury, through the Duke of Devonshire, so it is asfe to say the expedition is under government auspices.

ment auspices.

The liberality and enterprise of the young explorer (he is said to be spending \$200,000 of his own money in the venture, besides securing substantial support from others) have called forth happy congratuations from the press.

The health of King Humbert of Italy is again making uneasiness; fainting fits have becoursed.

Sovermership of Crete, stantinople, January 29.—The sultan-sch exercised in regard to the gov-ship of the island of Crete, and has My telegraphed to the crar on the to which the crar resterday reprough the Russian ambassy here a positively to the nomination of George of Greece.

MAY HAVE TO FIGHT.

Effort to Restrict British Trade in China and West Africa. London, January 29.—Right Hon, Joseph **ENGLAND SECURES THE CHINESE LOAN** Chamberlain, secretary of state for the colonies, speaking at Birmingham this vening, dwelled upon the effort of foreign nations to conquer great colonial empires with the intention of converting them into exclusive trade preserves, from which British trade should forever be excluded. This policy, he said, is now hanging over Great Britain like the sword of Damocles in West Africa and China. Regarding the latter country, Mr. Chamberlain said he was happy to believe there was a seneral agreement by all the great commercial nowers that Great Britain's policy was a less one.

Italy Backing England. London, January 29 .- Some of the Lon don correspondents of the provincial papers having access to the government circles point out that for some strange reason the action of Italy has been ignored as a factor in the Far Eastern situation. although she is playing a by no means unimportant part in it. It is diplomatically backing up Great Britain in her demand for free ports, and is prepared in certain eventualities, to go further; namely: The Italian warships will act in concert with Great Britain in the Mediterrancan and elsewhere.

To Relieve the Nizam. Bombay, January 29.-Dispatches just received from Orimbay say that the Nizam is ignorant of the fact that Colonel Mayne with 200 men from the Bombay infantry landed at Ormara on Tuesday a week ago, is marching to his relief, and that his position is critical. Baleu Khan is moving to block Colonel Mayne's advance, and fighting is imminent.

In a State of Slege. Lima, Pecu, January 29 .- According to a dispatch from Lapaz, the nominal capital of Bollvia, that city has been declared in France is dally showing less inclination a state of slege. Scola, Flores and other personages belonging to the opposition have been beheaded.

Young Bismarck Fights a Duck Berlin, January 29 .- It is said that Count William Bismarck, president of East Prussia, and second son of Prince Bismarck, has fought a duel with Herr Mabrech, the chief presidential councillor, owing to a personal quarrel. Herr Mabrech, it is

Britain Has Gained Her Point. Berlin, January 29. - The Berliner Tage latt says it learns that Russia and England have arrived at an agreement where by England has consented to drep her demand for the opening of Tallon Wan as a free port and Russia waives further oppo-sition to British control of the Chinese

THE CONCORDIA TRAGEDY. Young Beard Has a Chance for Re-

Natchez, Miss., January 23.—Young Charles Beard, who was shot through the body on More plantation, in Concordia parish, La., and who killed John and Harvey Pierson after receiving what was thought to be a mortal wound, is improving nicely, with some chances of recovery.

The reports sent out from here about the The reports sent out from here about the mother of the two dead men having been killed became of her assault on young Beard after he had been wounded have no foundation whatever. She has not disappeared, mysteriously or otherwise, but is with her surviving son. It was the desire of both young feard and his father, Mr. R. C. Beard, that the mother be not harmed, and she was not molested in any shape, manner or form, the sensational reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

A FRENCH GUNBOAT

For New Orleans Carnival and to Be Close to Cuba.

New Orleans, January 29.—The French gunbeat Dubordieu of the North Atlantic squad-

ron will be here for the carnival. She is in charge of the French rear admiral

She is in charge of the French rear admiral, and is booked to arrive here on February 3. She will remain here until Mardi Gras sure, unless something happens unexpectedly in Cuba, and, indeed, it is thought that one of the reasons for her coming here is that she may be in calling distance to represent France should anything of a disagreeable nature take place, requiring the protection of French citizens in Cuba. fiably alarmed, adding: "As a fact, it is Steamer Going to Pieces

Amsterdam, January 29.-The British deamer Harrow from Savannah for Bremen, before reported wrecked at Nieuwe Diepp, January 27, and since parted amid- the fleet, on Tuesday last, at a conference ships, is sinking in the sand, increasing with the minister of marine, when he asthe difficulty in saving the cotton which composes her cargo. Dynamite will now be serted that the recent evolution had de-used in order to facilitate recovery of the monstrated the perfect condition of the Spanish fleet, Admiral Cerveras really re-Fumigating at Biloxi.

Biloxi, Miss., January 29.-Fumigation of those houses where the favor had been last for service; that the ships not actually in which had not received attention when the marine hospital service was operation here in December, began this morning the officers with their machine coming from Ocean Springs. Only the formaldehyde gas is now used, the steam process having been dispensed with.

The Law Condemned. San Antonio, Teras, January 29.—At a regu ar meeting of the Western Texas Medical as-sociation last night the law passed by the iast legislature imposing an occupation tax on physicians was denounced, and the mem-bers of the association pledged themselves to vote for no man for office who would not pledge himself to work for the repeal of the observious law.

A New Populist Paper,
Waco, Texas, January 29.—There was a conference of prominent populists here today, called by State Chairman Bradley of Abitene.
It was agreed that a new weekly paper would be started here.
Bradley stated that the State committee would soon be called together.

The fact that M. Patenotre is intimately New Hotel for Cleburne. conversant with United States affairs leads Cliburne, Texas, January 25. Mr. Beckham of Greenville is endeavoring to purchase a suitable lot in Cleburne on which to erect a \$40,000 hotel. additional importance to the matter."

The Vizcaya Coming to America and Turpedo Hoats to Cuba. Carthenega, Spain, January 29.—The first-class armored cruiser Vizcaya is start-Hawati and Japan.

Dispatches from Washington state that here are about to be important developments in the Japanese imbroglio with the averament of the Hawaiian islands. However, this may be, certain it is that the dispersion of the stomach caused by simple diagnition will develop into chronic dyspain unless chockmated at the start. The area stomachic is Hostetter's Stomach turns, which promptly rectifies gastric subject, and does away with irregularity of a bowels and liver Hawatt and Japan. ing for America. The rest of the Spanish squadron is proparing to sall for Havena. The ironclad Colon (formally Suisspire Gariandi II) will accompany the terredo rices have been received here to confirm

THE SITUATION AT HAVANA.

Samuel Morrell, United States Citizen. Havana, January 26.—To be seared for a week! To be frightened out of your senses! To be startled out of your house and home! That is what the residents of Havana bave had to live under the past

It is only a few days since the Spanish officers charged on the newspaper offices and afterward upon every American citisen seen or found in the streets. But in that week Americans have suffered torture. The Irish boycott was nothing to it, the cottish ban was pleasant compared to it. Only the siege of Paris, as described by Minister Washburn, compares to it. We are in a state of alege, not only of food, out of everything comfortable.

"If we walk out we are startled by the herce looks, if we stay in the house we are in drand of assassins, for our very servants eye us with scowis. If we sleep, it is with the distant cannon ringing in our cars. Only the American legation is do. Our Columbia makes it in four. Of safe; and though General Lee does all he machetes Havana has a plenty, but of am-

whispered with dread, for the minute the hand of the United States is shown, that same minute the life of an American in Havana will not be worth the paper on which his name is written. Personally, at the first word of war, every Spanish officer would issue forth, armed with a machete, to wreak vengeance upon every American to wreak vengeance upon every American he met, for the United States is so uppopu-lar here that the mention of the word in the streets is sufficient to start a street

And why? Because the United States has decided to wait and let both sides struggle it out a little longer. And meanwhile we residents of Cuba, kept here by business of purse or state, must wait and little less residents.

live in anxiety.

A little way off the walls of Morro Castle gleam. They are bright with armament.

Every ship that sails from Havana stops further along at Morro. Who enters there goes not forth! The armament of the city is not strong.

It consists of small cannon and one big gun, all told, less than the Maine carries. Its battleships off the coast are slow. Eight hours to Key West is the best they can do. Our Columbia makes it in four. Of

corrections of recruits for the insurgent forces.

Yesterday morning posters appeared placarded on the principal buildings in Havanna announcing that General Calixto Garcia and the insurgent leader Rabbi had captured Holguin on January 21.

It is reported that Senator Baulio Acceste, one of General Pando's cinissaries in Manzanillo, had been hanged for offering money to the insurgents to induce thera to surrender.

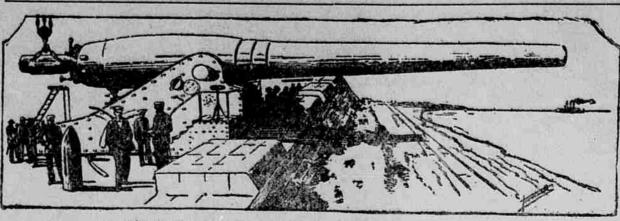
El Commercio today published a decree ordering the payment by the government of the expenses of the trip to Cuba from Matrid of the Cuban deputy, Gierega, and his wife. It is believed there is an agreement with the Madrid government to turn autonomy over to the Spanish element here. It is also believed that General Blanco will ignore this. them; and you can scarcely purchase a paper for love or money. They are bought up by the government as soon as exposed for sale. This is absolutely necessary in order to prevent a repetition of the riot

of two weeks ago.

The telegraph wires are busy. The operators are elicking word to Washington and London. Dispatches are sent to the former every half hour. Americans must send their letters to Key West by steamer, from there they can be telegraphed. But not

Soldiers are thick in the streets. one may stop you. You must answer their questions and give a satisfactory account of yourself or you can not go on. Shert replies are punished by arrest. It is now Spain against Cuba and America, so the Americans in Havana feel.

Demonstration by Students. Madrid, January 29 .- The students made



The Big Gun that Guards Havana. It Will Carry Sixteen Miles.

comforting than the everlasting Spanish legation is laying in a store. Any influencemblem that greets our eyes everywhere. Havena may close its entrances and remain in a state of slege, held there by the president hold back? These are the questions that are whispered every hour on small vessels were sighted off Havana by the Americans of Havana. Yes, and today. They belong to the Cubans. The

SPAIN IS ALARMED.

CARLIST ORGAN SAYS SAGASTA 18

MUCH PERTURBED.

Not a Ship Is Fit for Service, Is What It Says the Admiral of the Fleet Reported.

Lendon, January 29 .- The Cortera, organ of the Carlists, speaking of the visit of the United States warship Maine, says the belief is that the Spanish public is justi-

the government itself which is seriously

alarmed, though every effort is made to

disguise it. In spite of the official state-

ported that there was not a ship ready

dry dock ought to be there; that many of

the boilers were defective; that some ships

were not armed, and that most of the yes-

'In view of the perfidy of the United

States, it is not surprising that such neg-

According to the same paper, great im-

ortance is attached to the conference be-

tween M. Patenotre, the French minister

to Spain, and Senor Cullon, the Spanish

minister for foreign affairs, who, it is said

discussed the action of the United States

as it is well known that there is great

alarm in France at the course of events

THE SPANISH PLEET.

Washington, January 29 .- No fficial ad-

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can for us, he, too, is troubled, and the munition it is scarce. The fortifications a demonstration today before the office of

can for us, he, too, is troubled, and the legation can not hold all.

The riot was nothing unexpected. For a month, since the Spanish autonomy rule came into operation, we have been looking for it. Autonomy was unpopularly met in the States.

The news that the Maine and the Marblehead would be sent down from Key West was heard with delight by us, but with anger by the Spaniards. Their warships fill the Bahama channel, and they went no others there. At one time Americans in Havana erriously thought of asking the British residents of Cuba to request the queen to send one of the Flying Squadron over there, for though, in case of war.

Great Britain would be necessarity neutral, yet the presence of the British flag floating from any warship, would be vastiv more comforting than the everlasting Spanish emblem that greets our eyes everywhere.

Why does not congress act? Why does the president hold back? These are the legation is laying in a store. Any minute lavana may close its entrances and remain in a state of slege, held there by the Cubans. Two dynamite guess mounted the city are scarcely supplied with fifty charges, and were the Cubana to fire steadily upon them they would reduce them in three days.

Blanco, Weyler and McKinley, these are the names you must frequently hear. Blanco and McKinley are for peace. Blanco and McKinley are for peace Blanco and McKinley are for peace. Blanco weyler and McKinley are for peace Blanco are for any McKinley are for peace Blanco and McKinley are for peace Blanco and McKinley are for peace Blanco and McKinley

The Relative Strength of American and Spanish Armameu t Now in Cuban Waters.

the Progresso. They stoned the windows, but were eventually driven away by the police. The demonstrations which the are organizing for Monday will probably be suppressed.

Barge Crew Race.

Havana, January 29.-The barge crew of the United States battleship Maine has challenged the sailors of the German training ship here to a race. The Germans accepted the challenge and the race will be rowed at 1 p. m. today.

The Maine is having turret drill and boat and maneuvers this week, just the same as officers were captured. Special orders, he Weyler to Be Pardoned.

Madrid, January 29 .- It is said ners that the supreme war council will sentence Lieutenant General Weyler to three months imprisonment, but the government will

PANISH GUN-

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said, had been issued by Havana authorities to capture the young insurgent and bring him dead or alive to Havana, and he was advised that plans to that end were

The efforts, he continued, were renewed after the execution of General Planco's envoy. Colonel Ruiz, and a reward was offered for his head.

Warnings had been repeatedly sent to Warnings had been repeatedly sent to young Aranguen. On one occurion Senorita Isabel Giralt, his fiancee, was dispatched on this perilous mission. Knowing the strong feeling aroused by the summary execution of Colonel Ruiz and the determination of the Spanish authorities to effect his capture, which was favored by the level country in which his operations were conducted, he was advised to seek temporary refuge with his limited command among

plans and was resigned to whatever end in store.

Aranguen's younger brother, Benito, now a captain, will be assigned to his com-

noves the last hold energiance by discovering guen's parents that the reports received of his death were untrue. General Lee says the body brought to Havana for identificathe body brought to haveled to the insurgent general. He is doing his utmost to obtain the consent of the Havana authorities to give the bedy burial as requested.

THE SPANISH VERSION.

Aranguen Fairly Captured-He Was Riding Ruis's Saddle. Washington, January 29, -- Senor Dupuy

been proven erroneous, for the trade goes spondents of certain press are already starting forth a series of horrors in conuection with the killing of Nestor Aran-guen. Not one of them has been out of "Havana, January 29, 1898.—The corre-ufactured by rebel agents. The facts are

CUHAN ADVICES.

Captured Insurgents Alleged to Have Offered to Murder Gomes.

Reports from Sancti Spiritus sty two young insurgents who have surrendered have made an offer to the Spanish general Salcedo, to murder General Maxima Gomes for a certain sum of money.

Senator Antonio Govin, the minister of the interior in the Cuban government, is and to have brought the authorization of the New York Cuban junta to regulate with the insurgents and the Spanish government for the establishment of peace.

Circulars signed by Cubans have recently

Havana, January 29, 1898.—The correlactory for cell agents. The facts are as follows.

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"In the place was found a woman wounded, who was not seen until after the engagement. She was carried on a litter to Campo Florido in order to try to save her by giving proper attention.

"As a proof of the falsehood of the press about to be sent out there is the fact that lone of the dead has a sabre or machete cal. The documents captured on the body of Aranguen prove that as was ituited and the lad two buttons of Rule's saddle and he lad two buttons of Rule's landle an

Governor Bruson for advising General Blanco to deport certain persons. The cir-cular also charges that Governor Bruzon has been for the past two years the prin-ipal enlister of recruits for the insurgent

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DEATH OF ARANGUEN. by the Associated Press, limited right of coali HAD BEEN REPEATEDLY WARNED and the debate on the m

General Arolas has seen Spain can not

carry on the war in Cuba beyond July 1 and that if by that time the island 's not

cited cases showing that Was a Brother-in-Law of Dr. Guiments, notably the Saxon teras-His Parents Solicitous Concerning His Burial in Cuba.

OF IMPENDING DANGER.

New York, January 29 .- A dispatch from Key West, Fla., to the Herald says. The information received here of the docth of General Nestor Aranguen, who has been operating in Havana and Matanzas provinces in Cuba for a year and who has furthat the government rec nished many sensational incidents in the tended the debate on we matter is important because a propose to make it an issue at insurrection, was in a press dispatch from New York. While the report caused considerable excitement and regret in the Culather and mother and other relatives reside here, it caused no aurprise whatever, as his adventurous spirit was expected to end to his death. Additional sympathy lead to his death. young Aranguen's sister was recently wedded to Surgeon Guiteras of the United States haspital service at this port.

Aranguen's aged father, chortiv after the news had been received, said he had cabled to Consul General Lee for confirmation of his son's death. He begged the general, if the body was trought to Havana, to use his official influence to be permitted to give proper burial alongside his ancestors in the family vault. The death of his favorite son, he said, while a severe af-fliction to the family, was also a severe blow to the cause which he espoused and

for which he had sacrificed his life.

The father addet that he had been exceeding such news and dreaded hearing that some disaster had befallen his son ever since he held up a train between Havana Matanzas, in which several Spanish



Brigadier General Nestor Aranguen.

constantly being devised.

refuge with his limited command among the mountains in the eastern provinces. Aranguen's only reply to all these warnings was that he was aware of the Spanish

It is generally believed that General

hand.

A dispatch received late last night by
Dr. Guiteras from Consul General Lee removes the last hope cherished by Aran-

DeLome, the Spanish minister, today repeived the following cablegram:

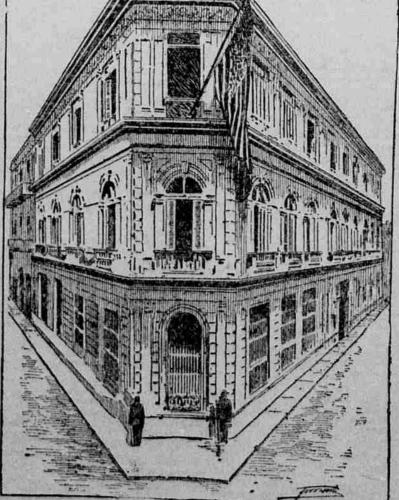
fortress upon Herr Trejan, Kladderadatsch, on Tuesdar stitooning the emperor in December 19, 1997. The second of the speech of Emperors of the speech The empress has nearly ! LONDON GOSS A Polite Note Directed to Ican Embassy—These London, January 29.—Mg Mackey has arrived at Nice tres the season.

"Diplomatic privileges" a ject of sarcastle comment ing to a member of an ensoy's ing this privilege for his muzzling order, and the for issued a note to all the issued a note to all the cout in the most politic manner aling order is purely a six and expressing trust that the sense will help its enforce. Signor Crispi, wife of the premier, has set a new fash pearing at outdoor festivity a tame calf, which, attagilded coat of vellum riblike a dog. Other fashious tollowed her example.

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The United States Consulate at Havana.

the reported intention of the Spanish gave ernment to send a fleet of warships to Havana. The Spanish legarien was informed some time ago that the small game boats now engaged in patroling the Cuban coust would be strengthened some by the addition of a number of torpe to coust and a florilla is expected to sail for Havana as soon as conditions will permit. The boats are said to be equipped for service in the Cuban good of the fine cruisor Cristonel Celon, one of the best ships in the Spanish navy, with the torpedo boats, is said to be necessary to their esfety, as these little crafts must have a convoy to come to their relief in the cuban government, is the corporate of the fine of the fine of the fine of the containing the cuban government, is the torpedo boats, is said to be necessary to the interior in the Cuban government, is the contained of the fine of the containing the cuban government, is the containing the cuban government of the Spanish government for the catablishment of peace.

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